

REMARKS

With regard to the requirement for election which is the only point raised in the Official Action, Applicant hereby provisionally elects the species with the drive mechanism as in Fig. 1A, the blade as in Fig. 11A and the drive triangle as in Fig. 4C as covered by claims 1, 4-10, 12-19, 21 and 22 with at least claim 1 being generic.

However, applicant traverses the election to the extent that the various parts as shown in Figs. 2A through 2C; 3A, 3B; 4A through 4C and 5A through 5C are necessary for the function of the unit as in elected Fig. 1A.

As noted by the Examiner, upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species, provided that all claims to all additional species are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. §1.141.

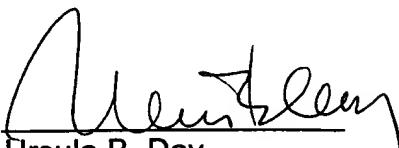
It is noted that each named inventor of the subject matter of the instant application contributed at least to one of the claims, presently on file.

With regard to Fig. 6 constituting the other species, applicant does not waive any of his rights therefor or abandon such subject matter.

Since applicant has fully and completely responded to the Official Action and has made the required election, this application is now in order for early action at least on the merits of claims 1, 4-10, 12-19, 21 and 22.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0502.

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